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Mr. David Russell, Ms. Loie Rosenkrantz, and Ms. Thaïs Mazur
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Dear Mr. Russell, Ms. Rosenkrantz, and Ms. Mazur:

Subject: Response to your June 20, 2006 letter

File: Georgia-Pacific Fort Bragg Sawmill, 90 West Redwood Avenue, Fort Bragg
Case No. 1NMC462

Thank you for your letter, dated June 20, 2006, regarding the June 13, 2006 Section 13267 Order to the Georgia-Pacific Corporation for this site. Your concerns are duly noted. I will address some of them here.

You noted the references to water quality and the protection of the environment in some of the findings, while there were not references to other potential impacts like human health. Those references were made to demonstrate our authority to issue the Order and were not meant to be an exhaustive set of findings. The Water Board has full authority, and duty, to protect and restore ecological and human health impacts.

Regarding the required workplan for investigation at the McGuire Ranch site, we are aware of other potential contaminants in fly ash besides dioxin and they will be considered for the investigation.

In your letter you correctly noted that not all the resource trustee agencies were copied on the Order. Because of her active interest, Denise Klimas of NOAA was copied by e-mail as part of the regular e-mail cc list. The US Fish and Wildlife Service and the California Fish and Game Department were notified of our oversight of this site over two years ago but have not been participating in the clean up. As you are aware, there are many agencies with a role in the clean up of this site and a clear dialog is vital. To that end, we are hosting an interagency meeting regarding this site on July 10, 2006 to discuss agency involvement. We will add the interested agencies to our cc list.

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I am committed to working with the public, agencies, and Georgia Pacific to ensure that this site is fully cleaned up in a completely open and transparent manner. I look forward to meeting with you on July 18. If you have any questions or comments, please contact me or Craig Hunt of my staff at (707) 570-3767.

Sincerely,



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Executive Officer

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